

IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

____ day _____, 2015

PRESENT: Supervisors

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE COMMITMENT TO PREVENTING COMMERCIAL SEXUAL
EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN IN SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY**

The following resolution is hereby offered and read:

WHEREAS, the San Luis Obispo County Board of Supervisors recognizes that the commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC) is a pressing national, state, and local issue; and

WHEREAS, the FBI estimates that 100,000 children in the United States are sold for sex each year, including child sex trafficking, child sex tourism, and child pornography; and

WHEREAS, three of the top 13 highest trafficking areas in the nation are located in California: San Francisco, Los Angeles, and the San Diego metropolitan areas; and

WHEREAS, county law enforcement, child welfare services, behavioral health, the courts, and community-based organizations report increasing numbers of exploited underage victims; and

WHEREAS, counties have led the effort to address the unique needs of CSEC youth, including working with law enforcement and the courts to divert suspected exploited children; and

WHEREAS, county law enforcement, child welfare services, behavioral health, the courts, and community-based organizations continue to grapple with identifying and assisting CSEC youth but have also made significant gains in meeting the unique needs of these traumatized children; and

WHEREAS, the need for intensive services tailored to minors who have been ensnared in the illegal sex trafficking trade remains critical.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Luis Obispo, State of California, to affirm the county's commitment to developing and supporting strategies to prevent, reduce, and serve the victims of commercial sexual exploitation of children and work to eliminate sex trafficking in California.

Upon motion of Supervisor _____, seconded by Supervisor _____, and on the following roll call vote, to-wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINING:

The foregoing resolution is hereby adopted:

Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

BY: _____ Deputy Clerk